Sanskrit literature on internet

† 2257. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the current year is being observed as Sanskrit year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that most of the famous Sanskrit books are out of print; and

(c) if so, whether Government would commission any University for providing scientific and philosphical Sanskrit Literature on the internet?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) No, Sir. The year 1999-2000 (Yugabada 5101) was celebrated as Sanskrit Year. The institutions/organisations which have been provided assistance for organising activities to celebrate Sanskrit Year have however, been allowed to utilize the grant upto 30th September, 2000.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University

2258. SHRI B.P. SINGHAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University, Wardha, has neither teachers and syllabus, nor faculty, yet research is being conducted in about 10 subjects;

(b) if so, what process was adopted to select research subjects, researchers and research guides;

(c) what amount is payable to researchers and research guides in a month and for what period; and

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